City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 18, 2014

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee and Mayor David Narkewicz

Ordered, that

- WHEREAS, the Northampton Office of Planning & Sustainability submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding to purchase the Seth Thomas clock;
- WHEREAS, the grant would be to purchase the clock formerly located on the corner of Main Street and Strong Avenue. The privately owned clock was originally dedicated by Calvin Coolidge, and sat at that location for nearly one hundred years;
- WHEREAS, the clock shall be stored in an appropriate weather-safe location that will preserve and secure it until it is restored;
- WHEREAS, the clock will ultimately be installed in a highly visible public downtown location at which point a permanent Historic Preservation Restriction will be created;
- WHEREAS, the clock or any of its components shall not be disposed of without City Council approval;
- WHEREAS, on December 3, 2014 the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted 5-1 to recommend that \$20,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$20,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Office of Planning & Sustainability to purchase the Seth Thomas clock. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$20,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).